

# Testing & Analysis of Pipeline Encapsulation Technologies

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## Project Vision

Define performance metrics required by regulators and utilities to support commercialization of REPAIR technologies.

Establish a framework to evaluate & validate 50-year design life for pipe-in-pipe (PIP) solutions.



Total Project Cost:	\$5.65M
Length	36 mo.

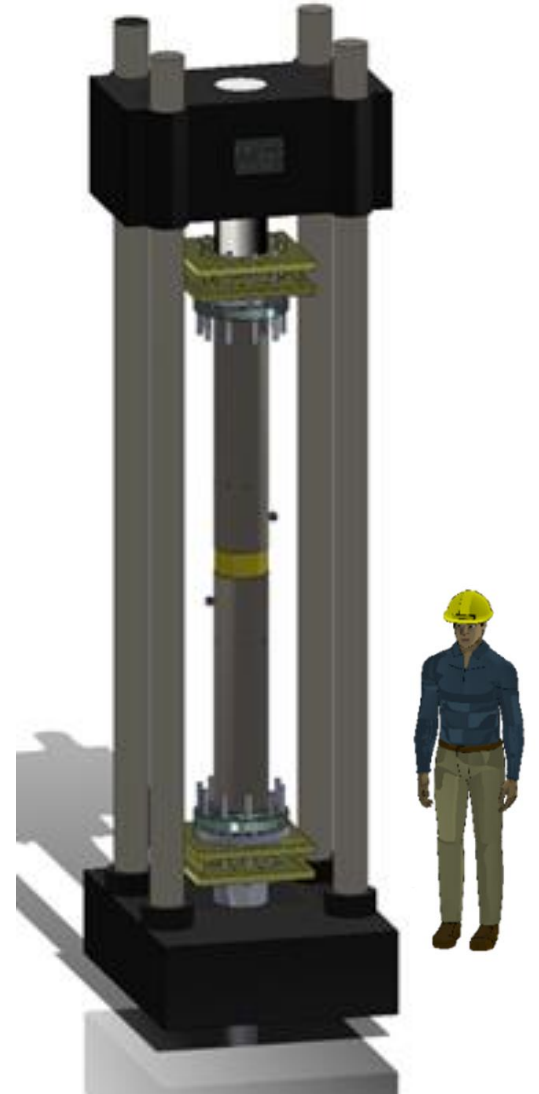
# Testing and Technology Update: Outline

- Technical Review (22 min)
  - I. Technology concept overview
  - II. T&A Team and Roles
  - III. Project Objectives and Milestones
  - IV. POs: Define and Modeling
  - V. External Testing & Specimens
  - VI. Internal Testing & Specimens
  - VII. Looking Forward
- Feedback & Questions (8 min)

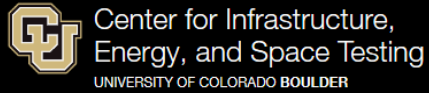


# Concept Overview

- Develop a data-driven framework of physical testing and modeling to ensure REPAIR **technologies meet stakeholder requirements**
- Validate a **50-year design life** for innovative pipe-in-pipe (PIP) systems by developing numerical, analytical, and physical testing protocols.
- Merged attributes of each approach to deliver a **comprehensive framework** for PIP technologies composed of a variety of materials and deposition methods.
- Characterize failure modes and establish **performance criteria** for pipe replacement technologies to support recommendations for PIP material properties suitable for acceptable design-life performance.
- Establish standard protocols and methods needed for **regulatory approval** of REPAIR technologies



# The Testing & Analysis (T&A) Team



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- ▶ Internal loads and deformations assessment; internal pressure and materials testing



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- ▶ Numerical and analytical modeling of Performance Objectives, material properties, and correlations with physical test results

Development of protocols, documentation, & standards

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# Project Objectives and Milestones

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- ▶ FY 2022 Q1 focus:
  - M1: Submitting review documents: State-of-the-art technology review of repair systems and initial AHP
  - M2.2: Continuing to develop fundamental PO models
  - M2.3: Validating FE models for cross sectional ovalization, 4-point bending deflection and maximum displacements, axial deformation
  - M2.4: Calibrating FE Models
  - M3: Refining internal and external test plans and conducting bending test, internal pressure test, and permeation test with known industry materials
- ▶ Coordination of test specimens 2022 through 2023
  - M4: For the T&A team to testing milestones, developers must deliver lined samples no later than **April 2023 – preferably sooner**
  - T&A team will provide pipe samples to developers for lining in advance, exact date TBD as we collect legacy CI pipes and fabricate steel pipes.



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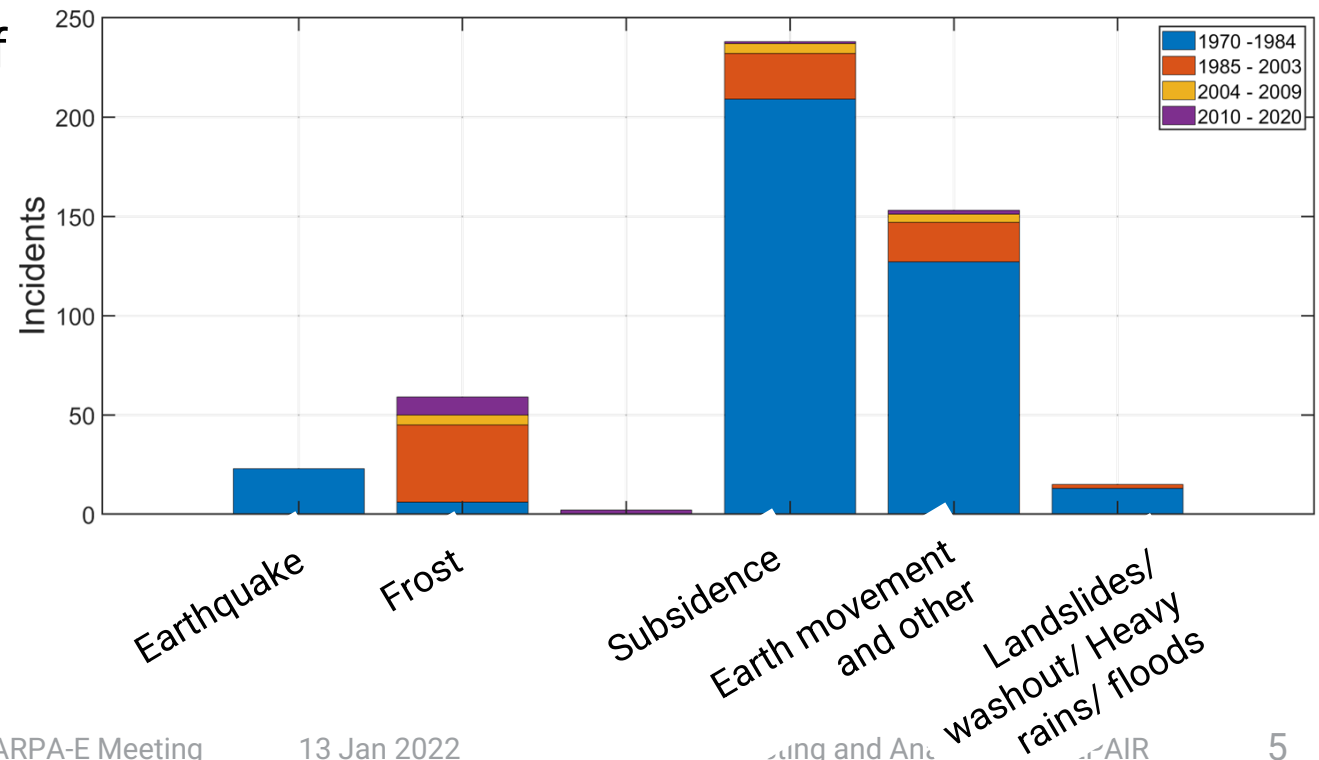
Kozman, 2020.

## M1.1. Literature Review

- Development of a Testing and Analysis Framework for Validation of Rehabilitating Pipe-in-pipe Technologies: NASTT 2022 No-Dig Show
- State-of-the-art technology review of repair systems: Potential Failure Modes of Pipes and PIP
- Important messages from this work:
  - (1) external loads are the major cause of incidents of gas distribution pipes
  - (2) natural causes that are associated with lateral deformation (bending) of pipelines are a major cause of incidents in legacy cast iron pipes



Figure 1. Spiral cracking at an unrestrained joint on Project 1



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Additional Critical Considerations:  
~20% Performance Objectives

- ▶ Tapping for new service connections (PE, ST) or other similar sized components (e.g., drips, plugs)
- ▶ Existing tees, valves, threaded taps along pipe (e.g., blow offs, bag deployment, larger connections >3 in. diameter)
  - Intrusions into the pipe – greater than ~0.25 in.
- ▶ PIP installation impact on:
  - Elastomers, plastic pipe, seamed pipe
  - Various CI joint materials (e.g., jute/yarn/lead caulked, gasketed, mechanical)
  - Existing service connection taps of various materials (PE, ST, CI)
- ▶ Extreme temperatures
  - E.g., welding, exposed pipe at bridge crossing, proximity to buried steam line
- ▶ Additional Impact of high-water table
- ▶ Seismic Considerations
- ▶ Others?



# Task 2: Model P0 and identify PIP properties

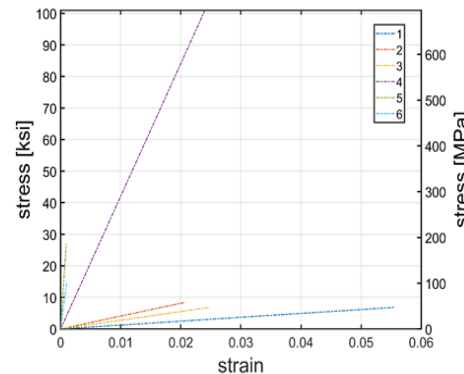
- M2.1. Initial screening models
- M2.2 Fundamental FM models
- M2.3. Initial Range of Material Properties

## Modelling efforts were focused on:

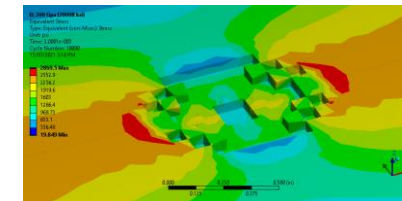
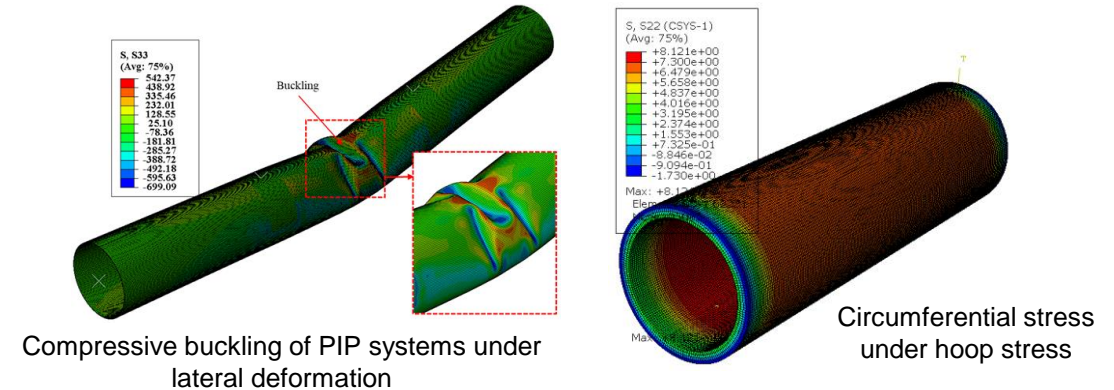
- **P01.** Vibrational loads
- **P02.** Deflection (lateral deformation)
- **P03.** Cross-section ovalization
- **P04.** Axial deformation due to thermal expansion/contraction
- **P05.** Circumferential (hoop) stress due to internal pressure.
- **P06.** Puncture of pipe system due to drop weight or external force.

## Description of the FE model for PIP:

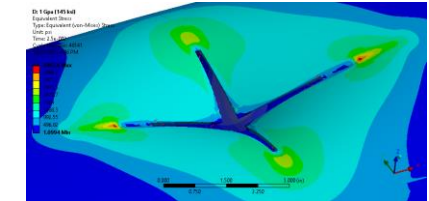
- OD = 307.8 mm (12.12 in) [12-inch Cast iron 21/45 pipe]
- Wall thickness: varied in the inward direction from 3.175 mm to 25.4 mm (0.125 in. to 1 in with increments of 0.125 in)
- Elastic modulus: 1GPa (145 ksi) to 200GPa (29,000 ksi)
- Design Strain: 0.002 for metallic systems [ $\geq 70$  GPa (10,153 ksi)] and 0.02 for polymeric systems [ $\leq 24.5$  GPa (3,550 ksi)].



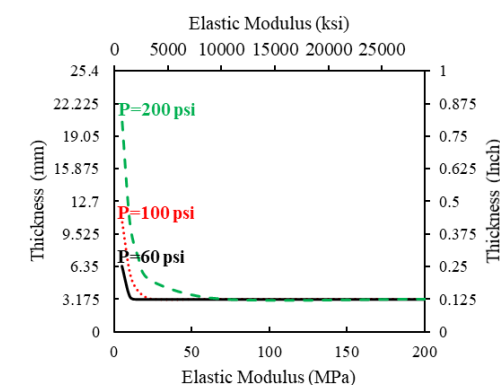
Preliminary stress-strain curves of PIP up to elastic limit



Impact damage mode for high modulus PIP materials.



Impact damage mode for low modulus PIP materials.



Minimum thickness requirement for different design internal pressure at strain of 0.002 (left) and strain of 0.02 (right)

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- M1.2. Analytical Hierarchy Process (AHP)
- **Appendix T1.2:** AHP of failure modes

The AHP is implemented based on the below attributes:

- P01.** Target life cycle of one million cycles under vibrational loads caused by repeated overhead traffic loads equivalent to 17,350 N (3,900 lbf).
- P02.** Lateral deformation under the design lateral load of 178 kN (40 kips).
- P03.** Cross-section ovalization up to 5% and 10% diametric deflection.
- P04.** Axial deformation (axial displacement) due to thermal expansion/contraction at a temperature change of 22°C (39.6°F).
- P05.** Circumferential stress due to internal pressure of 60, 100, and 200 psi.
- P06.** Dent, metal loss or crack under impact loading caused by 1.5 in. (38.1 mm) semi-spherical drop weight of 1.1 pound (0.5 kg) at a height of 40 in. (1.02 m).

PO Criteria	Vibration loads		Lateral deformation		Cross-section ovalization		Axial deformation		Internal Pressure (200 psi)		Impact	
	P01		P02		P03		P04		P05		P06	
Thickness (in.)	3/8	1/8	1/2	1/8	1/8	1/8	1/8	1/8	1/2	1/8	3/8	1/8
Elastic modulus (ksi)	145	345	725	29008	145	145	145	145	145	725	145	725

Ranking when design internal pressure is 60 psi

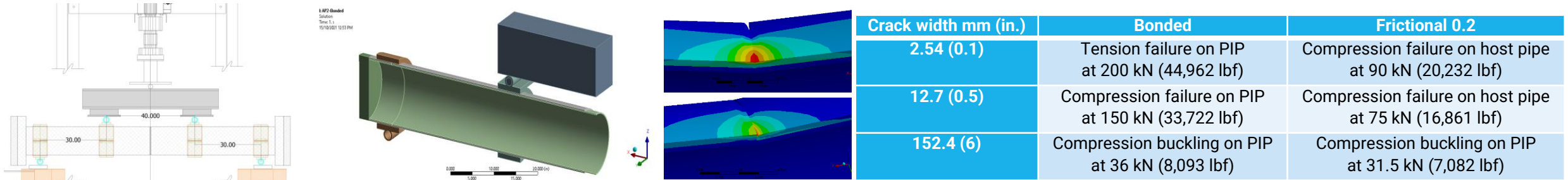
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3	PO1
4	PO4
5	PO5
6	PO3

Ranking when design internal pressure is 200 psi

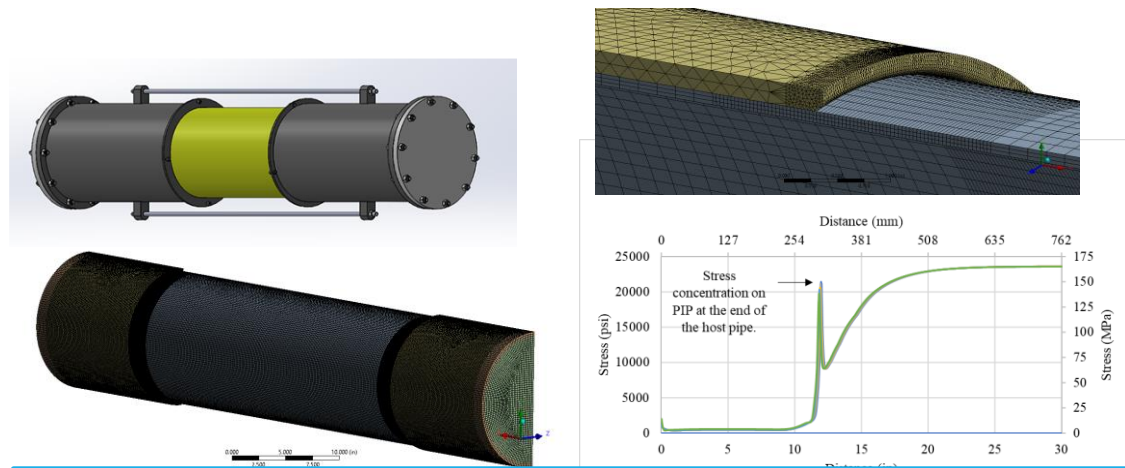
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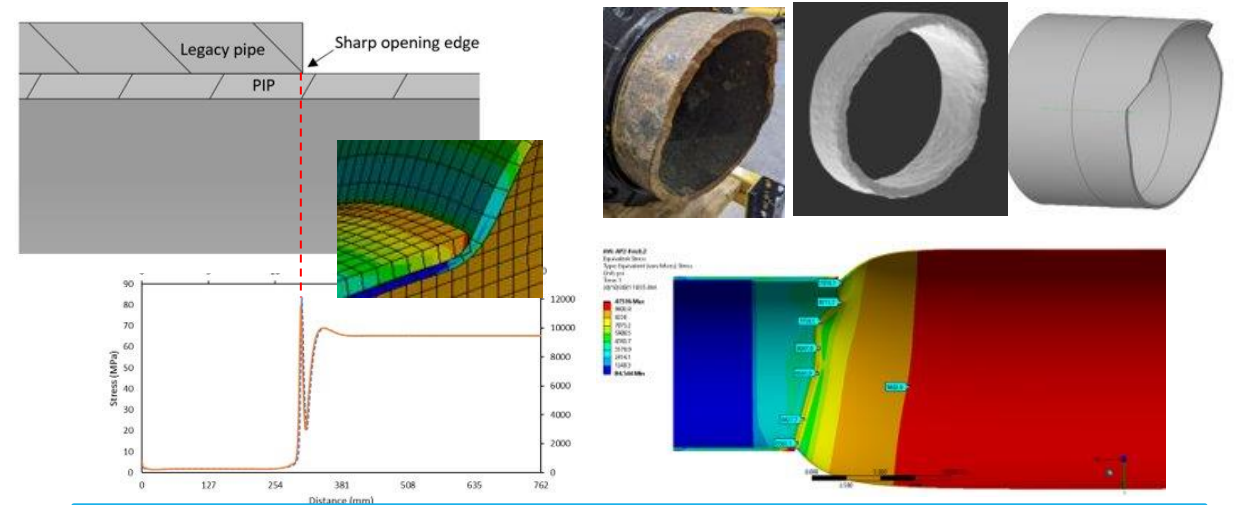
- M2.4. Calibrated FE Model
- M2.5 Comprehensive numerical/analytical studies of PIP



FE analysis of PIP and host pipe with various crack widths



FE analysis of PIP and host pipe under internal pressure

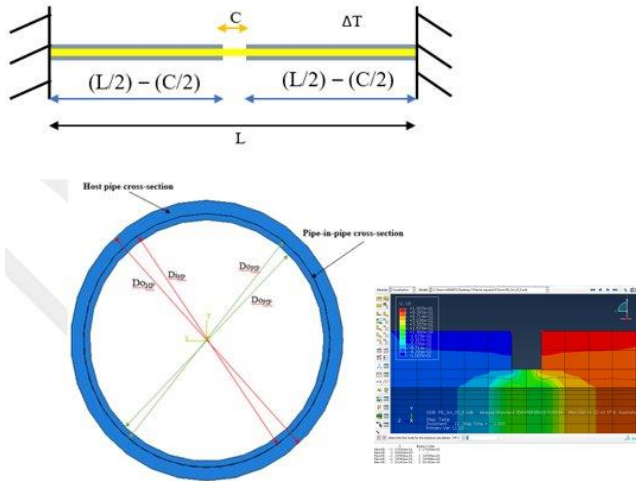


End effects of the host pipe on PIP under internal pressure

# Task 2: Model P0 and identify PIP properties

## • M2.5 Comprehensive numerical/analytical studies of PIP

### Thermal expansion of PIP with crack opening



$$P = \frac{\frac{\alpha_{HP} E_{HP} A_{HP} + \alpha_{PIP} E_{PIP} A_{PIP}}{E_{HP} A_{HP} + E_{PIP} A_{PIP}} \Delta T (L - C) + \alpha_{PIP} \Delta T C}{\frac{C}{E_{PIP} A_{PIP}} + \frac{L - C}{E_{HP} A_{HP} + E_{PIP} A_{PIP}}}$$

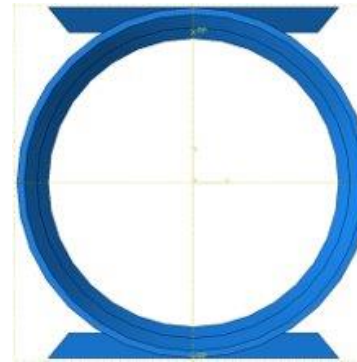
$$\delta_{THP} = \frac{\alpha_{HP} E_{HP} A_{HP} + \alpha_{PIP} E_{PIP} A_{PIP}}{E_{HP} A_{HP} + E_{PIP} A_{PIP}} \Delta T \left( \frac{L}{2} - \frac{C}{2} \right), \text{ for one segment of the host pipe}$$

$$\delta_{MHP} = \frac{-P \left( \frac{L}{2} - \frac{C}{2} \right)}{(E_{HP} A_{HP} + E_{PIP} A_{PIP})}, \text{ for one segment of the host pipe}$$

$$\delta_{HP} = \delta_{THP} + \delta_{MHP}$$

The new crack width =  $C \pm 2 \times \delta_{HP}$

### Analytical prediction of cross-section ovalization



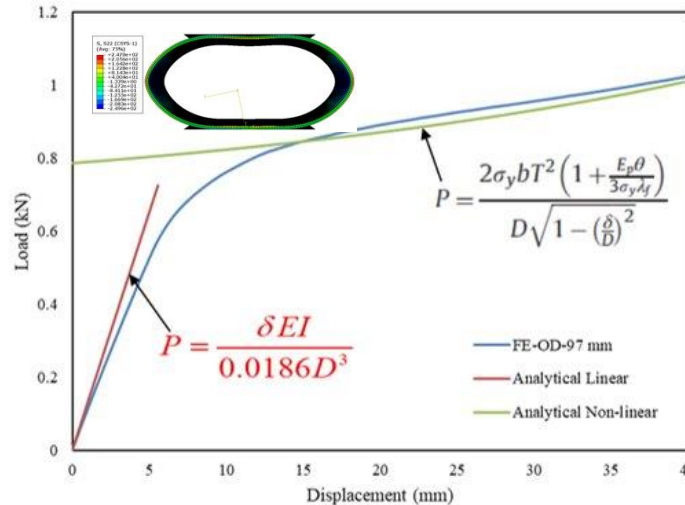
#### Analytical prediction models:

Compressive force for the linear part based on Hwangt [3]:

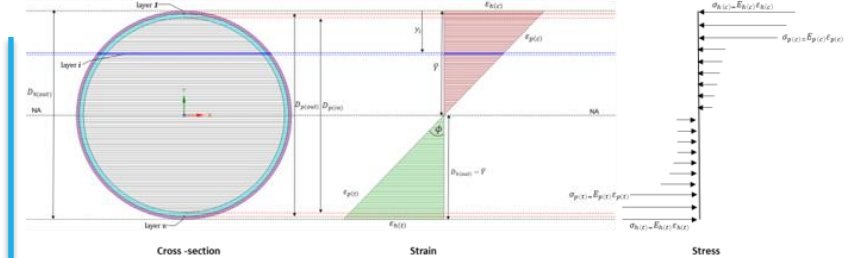
$$P = \frac{\delta EI}{0.0186 D^3}$$

Compressive force for the non-linear part based on Redwood [4]:

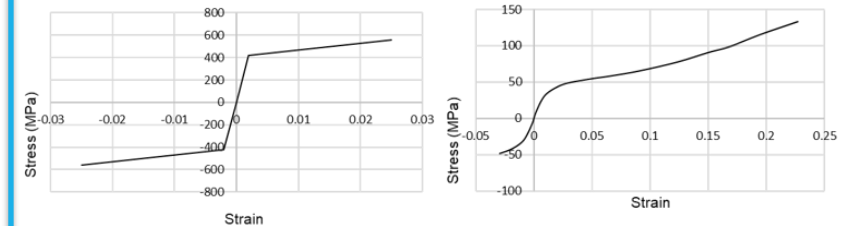
$$P = \frac{2\sigma_y b T^2 \left( 1 + \frac{E_p \theta}{3\sigma_y A_f} \right)}{D \sqrt{1 - \left( \frac{\delta}{D} \right)^2}}$$



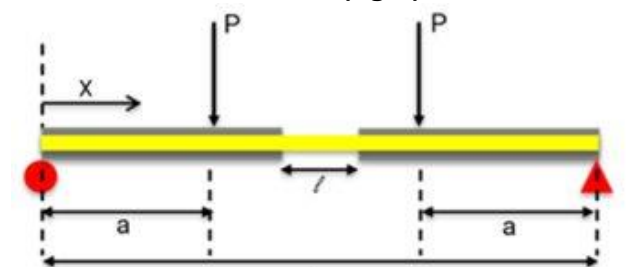
### Deflection of PIP and host pipe with crack



#### Basic assumption of Fibre Model Analysis



#### Constitutive material model of host pipe (left) and PIP (right)

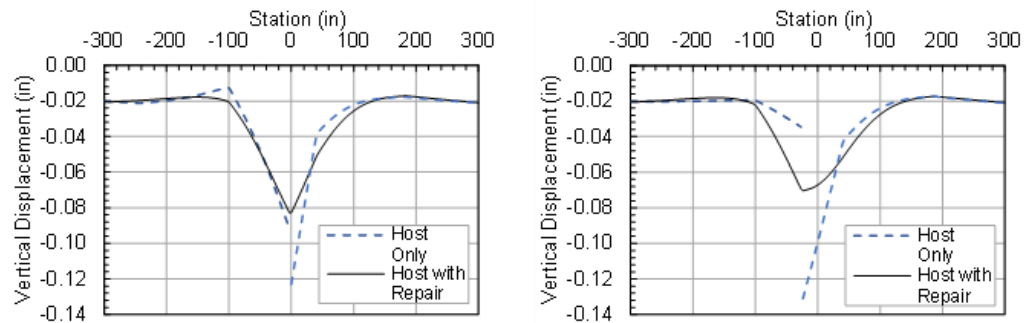
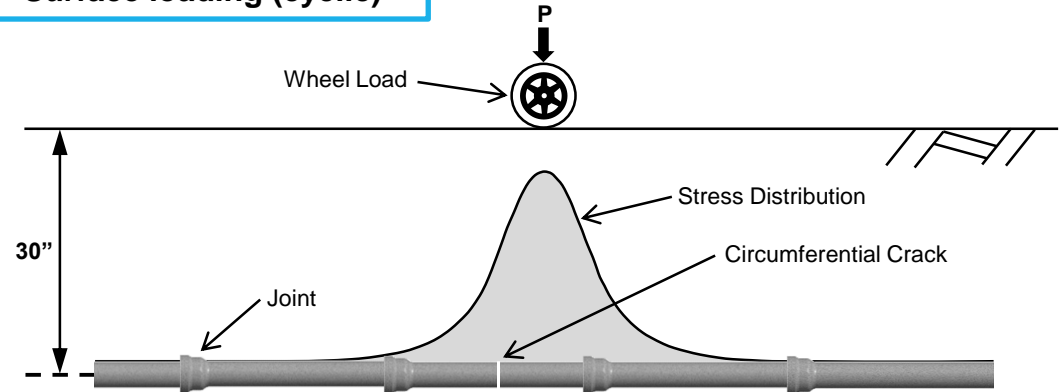


$$\Delta_{max} = \frac{Pa^3}{3(EI)_{eff}} + \frac{Pa}{8(EI)_{eff}} ((L-l)^2 - 4a^2) + \frac{Pa}{8(EI)_{PIP}} (2Ll - l^2)$$

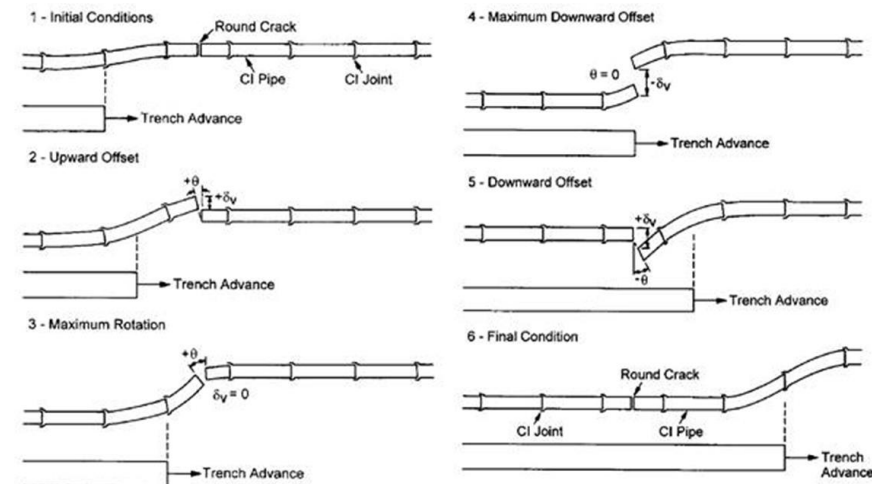
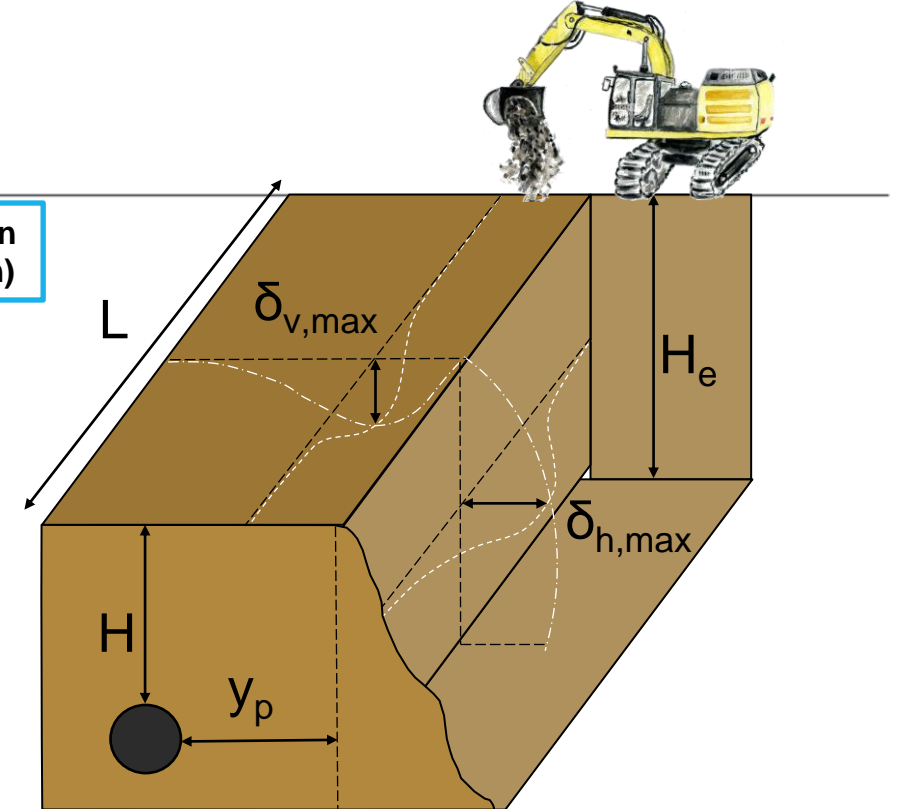


# External load testing: design loads

## Surface loading (cyclic)



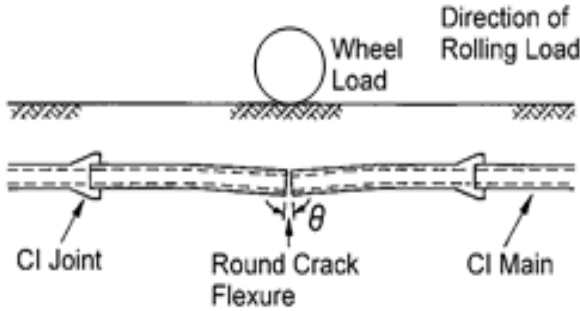
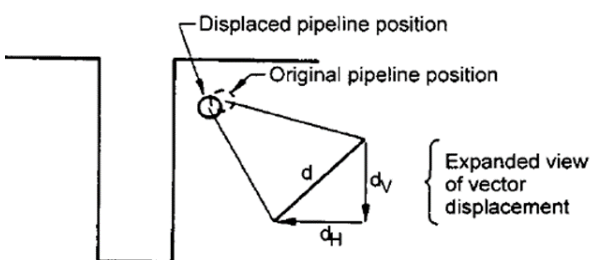
## Adjacent Excavation (lateral deformation)



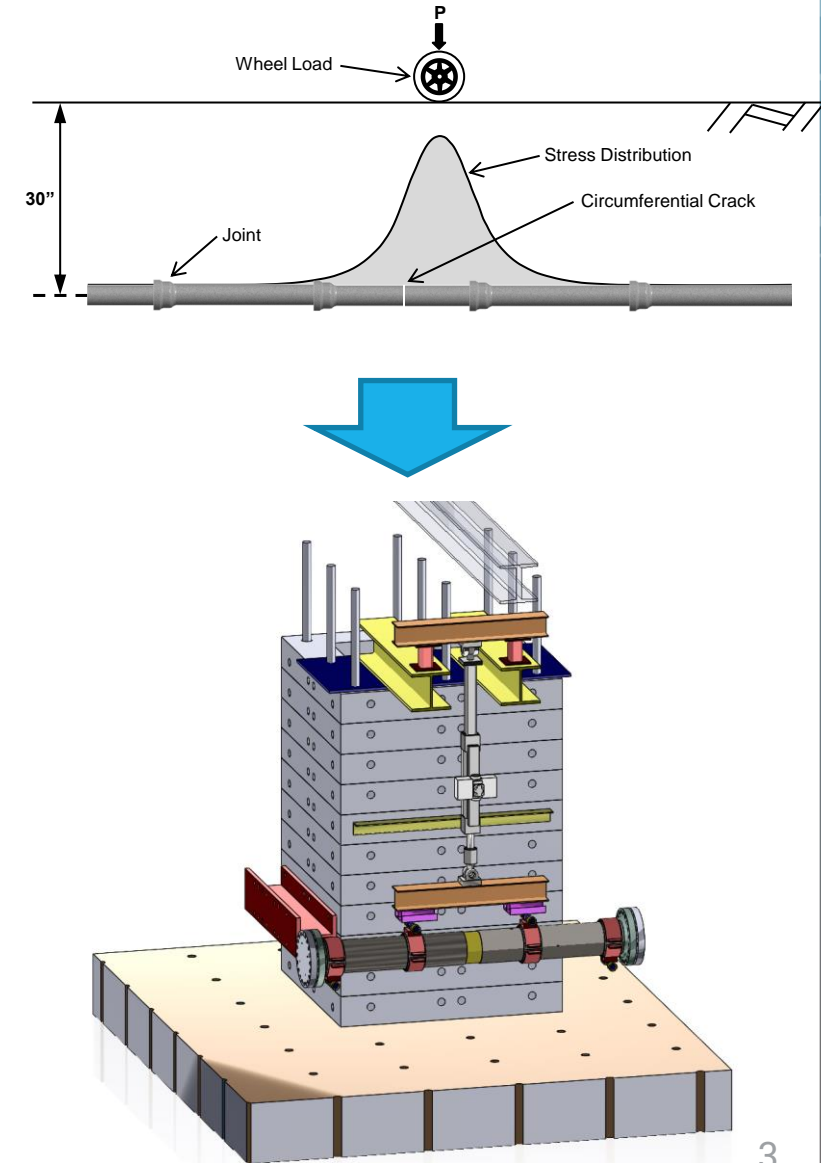


# T4: External Loading

## Task 4: External Loading Tests: Lateral Deformation

Task	Hardware	Sub-Task	
T4. External load testing (all external loads to be applied to each specimen in series)	T4.1. Four-point bending frames  [POs 1, 2, 3]	T4.1.1. Vibration/traffic loads (PO1) [500,000 cycles]  - For compliant pipe linings spanning weak joints, the imposed vertical displacement was about 0.08 in.	 <p>Direction of Rolling Load</p> <p>Wheel Load</p> <p>CI Joint</p> <p>Round Crack Flexure</p> <p>CI Main</p> <p>Stewart et al., 2015</p>
		T4.1.2. Deflection (lateral deformation) (PO2) [Large defl. + 100,000 cy.]  - For compliant pipe linings spanning weak joints, the imposed vertical displacement was about 0.20 in	 <p>Displaced pipeline position</p> <p>Original pipeline position</p> <p>d</p> <p><math>d_v</math></p> <p><math>d_H</math></p> <p>Expanded view of vector displacement</p> <p>Jeon et al., 2004</p>

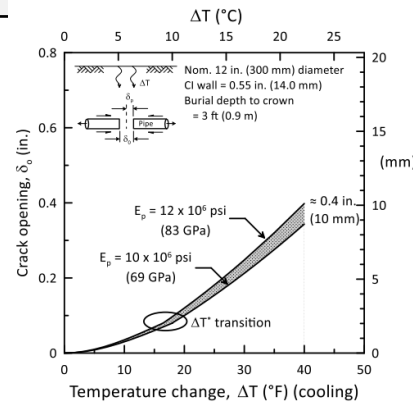
\*FM3: cross-sectional ovalization to be monitored/assessed during lateral load application



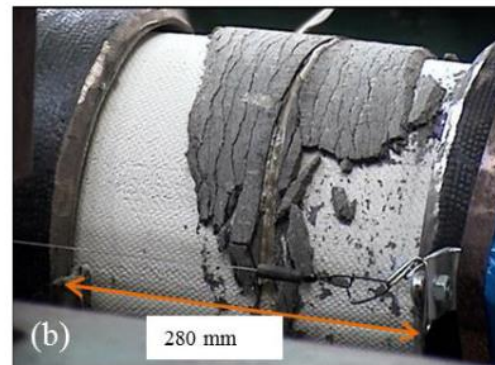
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T4. External load testing (all external loads to be applied to each specimen in series)	T4.2. Axial load frames  [PO4,8]	<p>T4.2.1. Axial/thermal deformation (PO4) [1 to 2 hr per cycle, 50 cycles]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For compliant pipe linings spanning weak joints, the crack opening displacement was about 0.4 in</li> </ul>
		<p>T4.2.2. Bonding/de-bonding at coating/pipe interface (PO8) Termination point capacity.</p>



Stewart et al., 2019



Argyrou et al. 2017

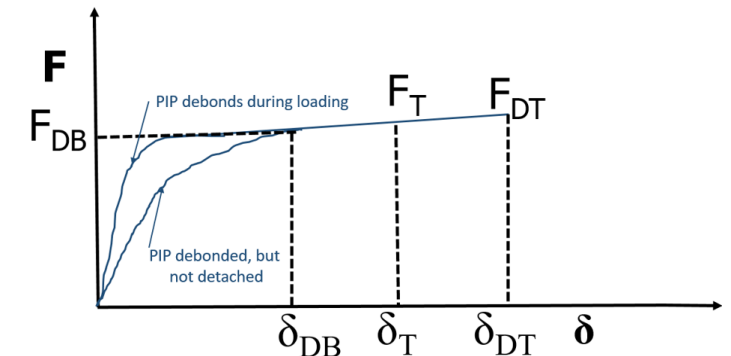
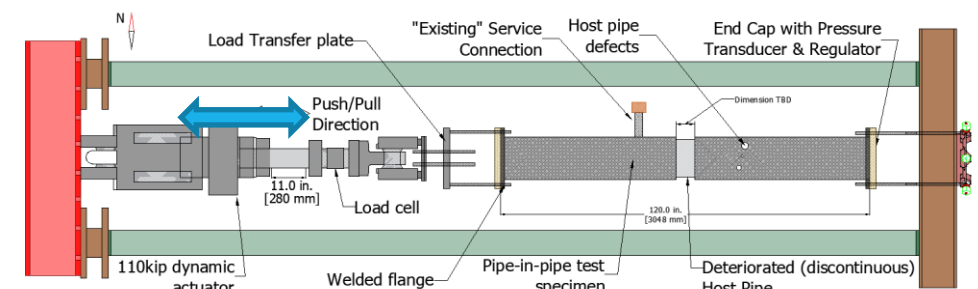
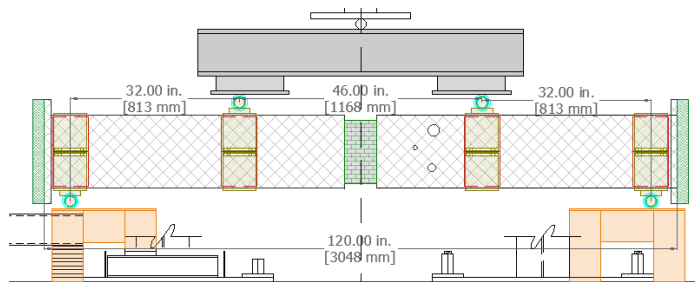
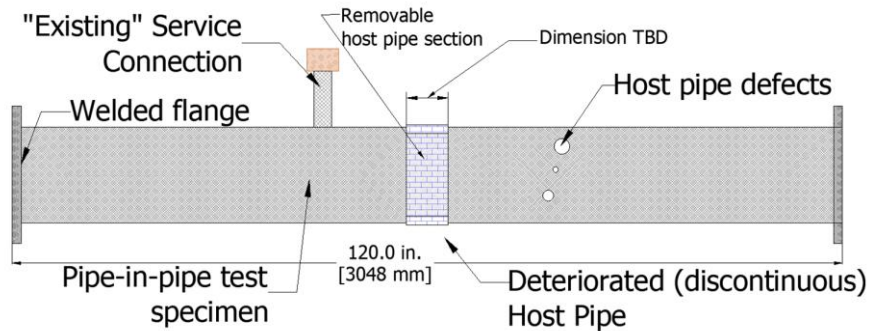


Figure 1. Force vs Displacement for a Relatively Low Modulus PIP

# T4: External Loading - Specimen Design

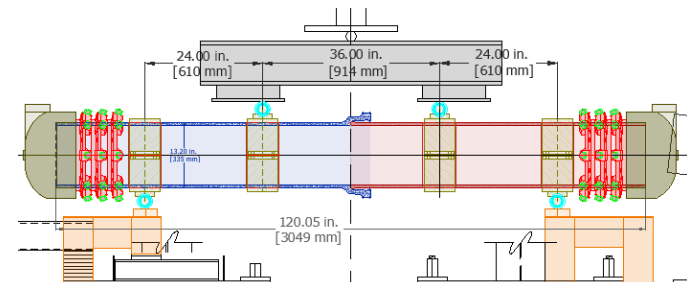
## ► Fabricated Steel

- 2 or 3 specimens per developer
- Capable of applying all loading conditions to PIP
- Can accommodate various defects



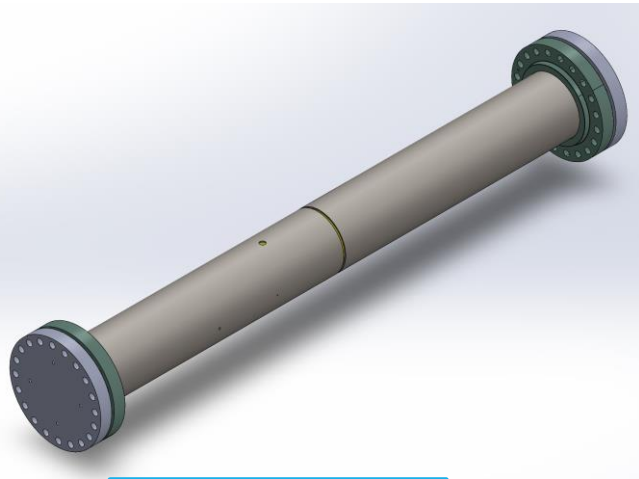
## ► Legacy Cast Iron

- 1 or 2 specimen per developer
- Round crack at center, Joint at center if available
- May be limited in ability to apply axial deformation depending on several factors

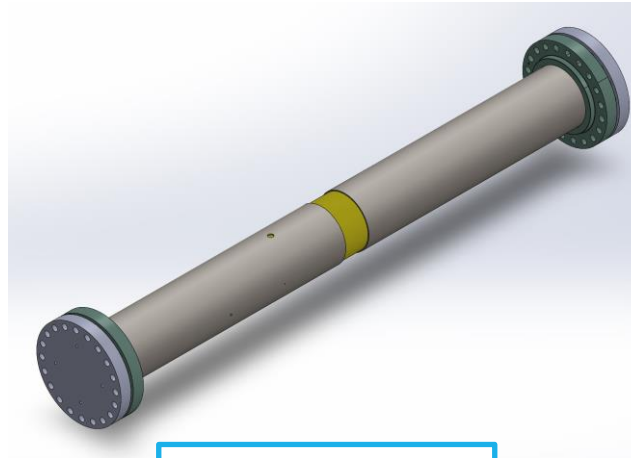




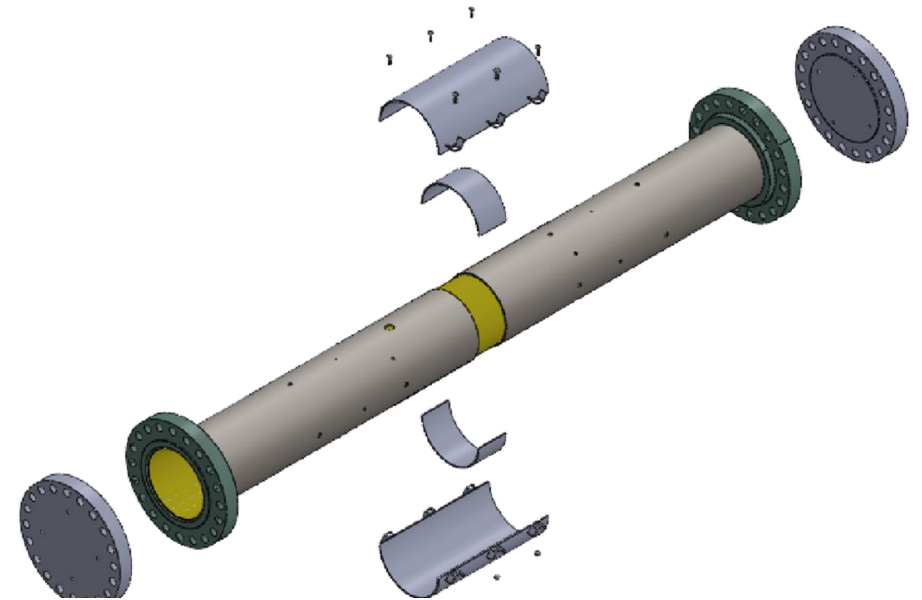
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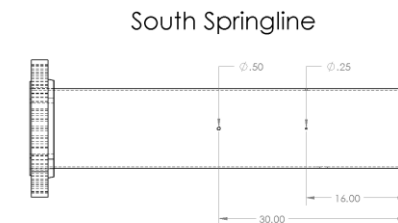
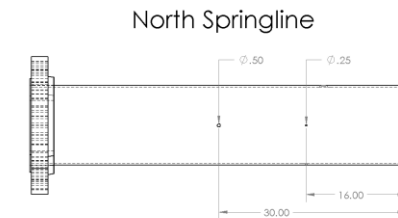
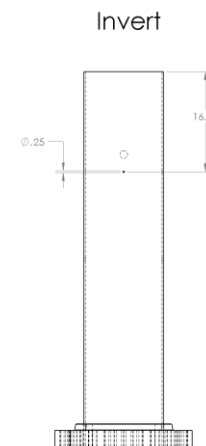
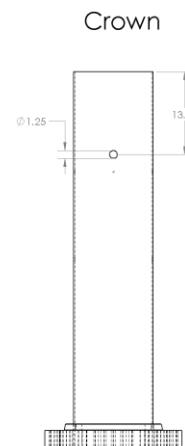
0.5 in. wide crack



6 in. wide crack



Count	Dia. [in]	General Location	Distance of center from edge of pipe/crack [in]
1	1.25	Crown	13.25
1	0.25	Crown or Invert	16.0
2	0.25	Springlines	16.0
2	0.50	Springlines	30.0



# Steel Pipe Preparation





# Known Material Testing (Sanexen) Steel Host Pipe

## ALTRA10/10X Structural Liner Technical Specs

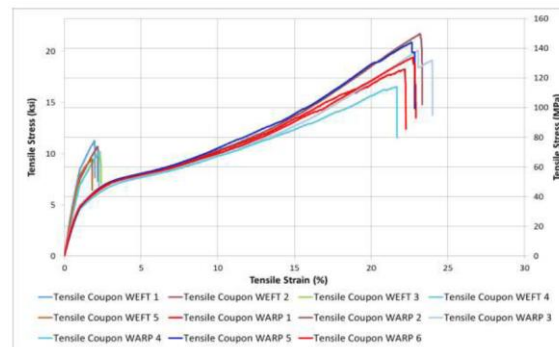
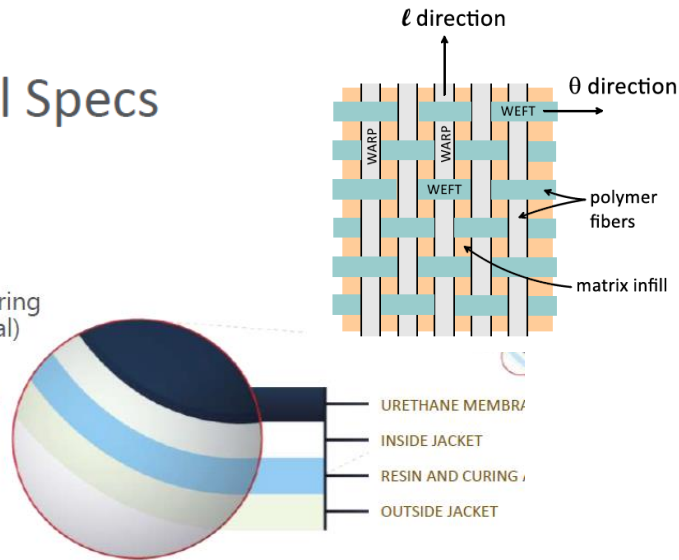
### A Composite Material:

- Woven polyester fiber jackets
- Internal watertight polymeric membrane
- Thermosetting resin impregnation (which upon curing gives its structural properties to composite material)

→ Certified by NSF to NSF/ANSI Standard 61 and UL

→ Exceeds ASTM F1216 and ASTM F1743 Standards

- **Diameters:** 100 to 600 mm (4 to 24 in)
- **Design Pressure:** 150+ PSI
- **Installation Length:** Up to 300 m (1,000 ft) between 2 access pits
- **Installation Method:** Pulled in place through the host water main (cure time/temp: 90 min/65°C)
- **Track Record:** 2 080 km of water main lined across North America





# ALTRA lined steel pipes ready for bending test





# CI Pipe Specimens

- ▶ Pipe F: preparing to ship Sanexen
- ▶ Pipes A, B, E & H: Useful pipes for T&A to keep
- ▶ Pipe C, D & G: Sent to developers



Pipe C and rented pipe cutter



Pipe F and rented pipe cutter



Pipes A-H



Pipe D

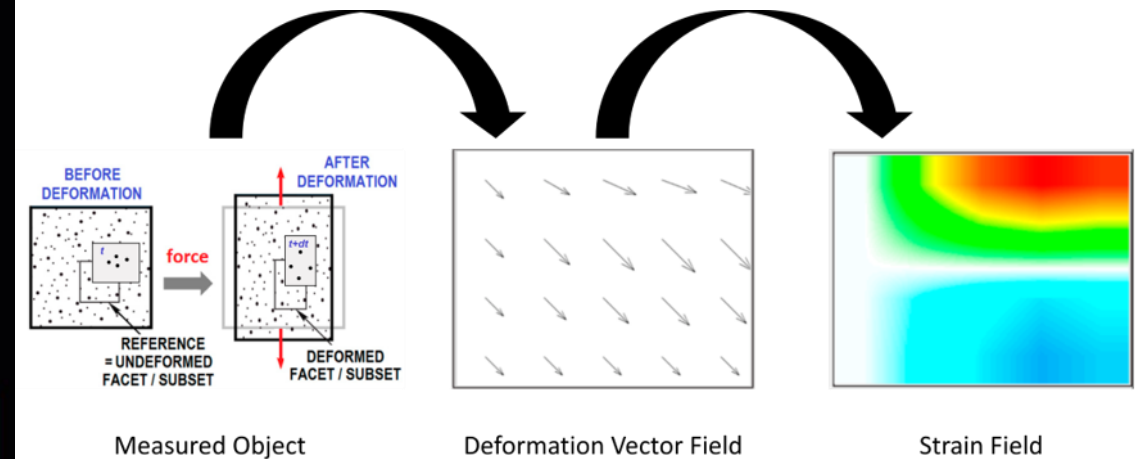
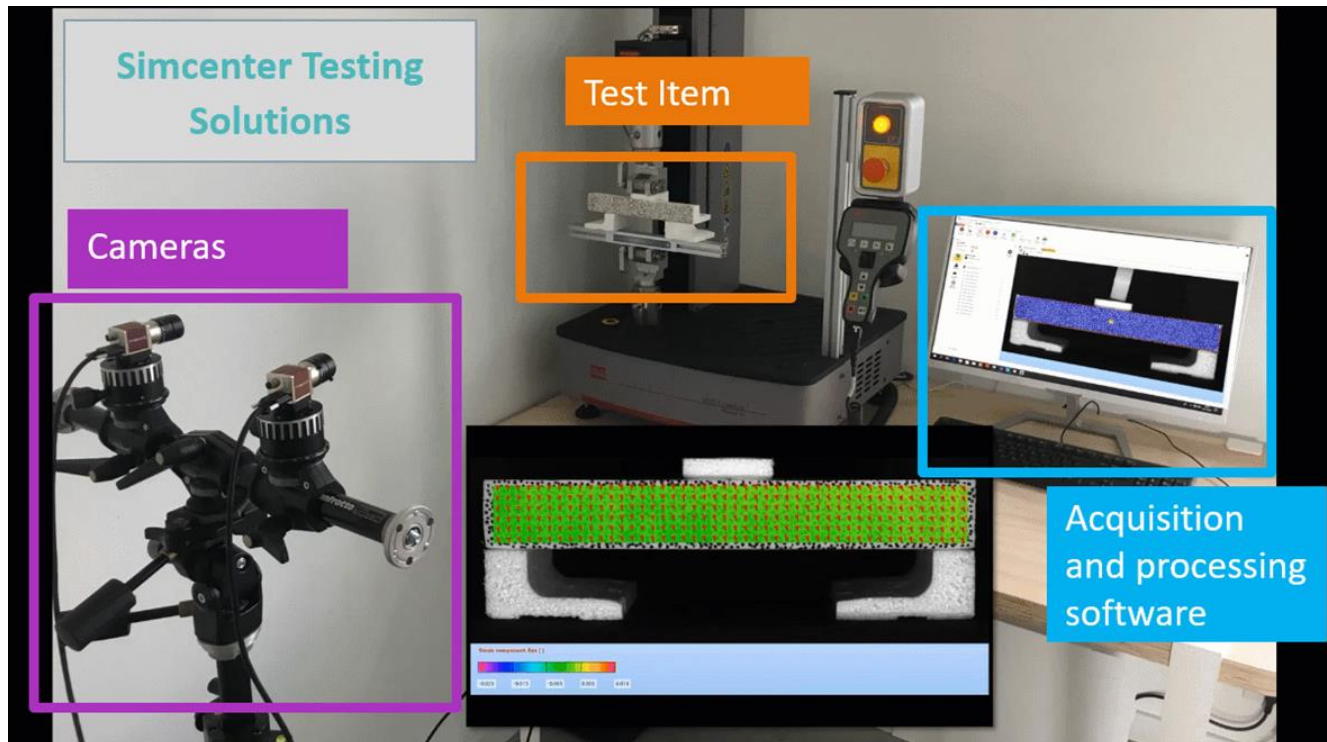


# PSE&G Pipes – Installed summer of 1959




# Digital Image Correlation – A 3D Solution to a 3D Problem

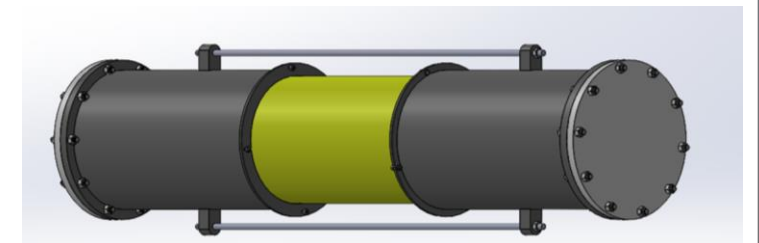
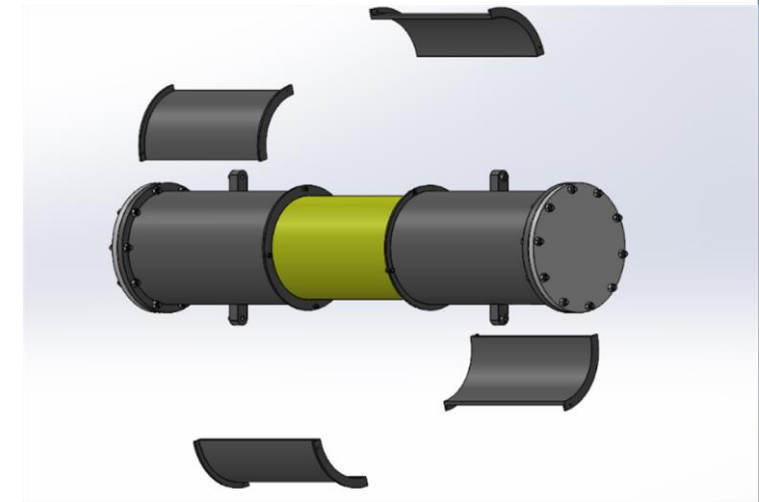
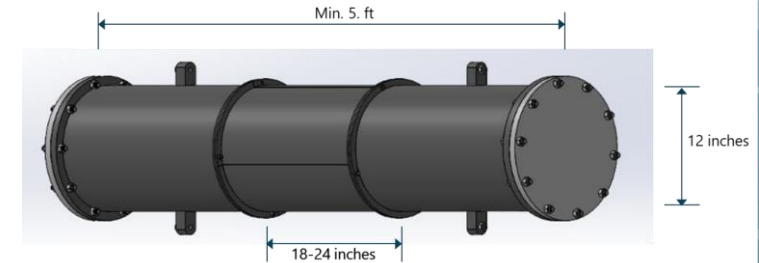
- Non-contact technique for full-field 3D strain and deformation measurement
- Tracking the points on the surface of tested object before and after deformation
- A rigorous way to validate finite element model prediction





# T5: Internal Loading

T5.1.1. Short Term Hydrostatic Pressure Tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12-inch diam pipe sections, about 6 ft long. End-caps will be installed after application of the repair.</li> <li>Middle sleeves will be removed in tests to simulate deterioration of the host pipe.</li> <li>Tests are under hydrostatic pressure to failure.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3 pipe samples/PIP.</li> <li>Pipes will be delivered to the awardees without end-caps for continuous application of the repair by awardees</li> </ul>
T5.1.3 Impact Performance Test	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Perform pressure test for leak on indented pipe.</li> <li>Indentation will be applied using hemispherical 1.1-lb drop weight from a height of 40-inches as per ASME standards PCC-2 Article 4.1</li> </ul>	
T5.2 Long-Term Cyclic Pressure tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Same configuration as in 5.1</li> <li>Tests are under cyclic loading at different ranges to identify failure load.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 samples/PIP which include samples for additional tests, if needed.</li> </ul>



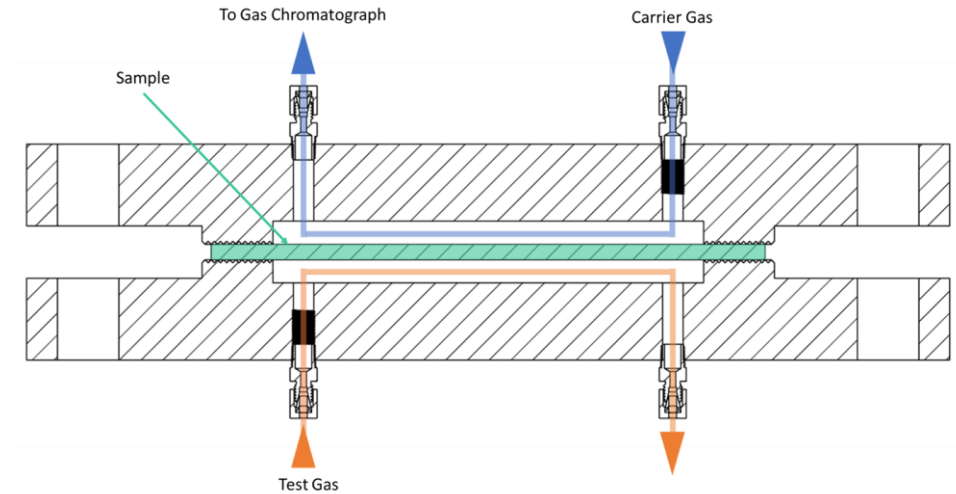
# T5: Internal Loading

TTSP suggested hydrogen up to 20%, realistically will be 10-15%

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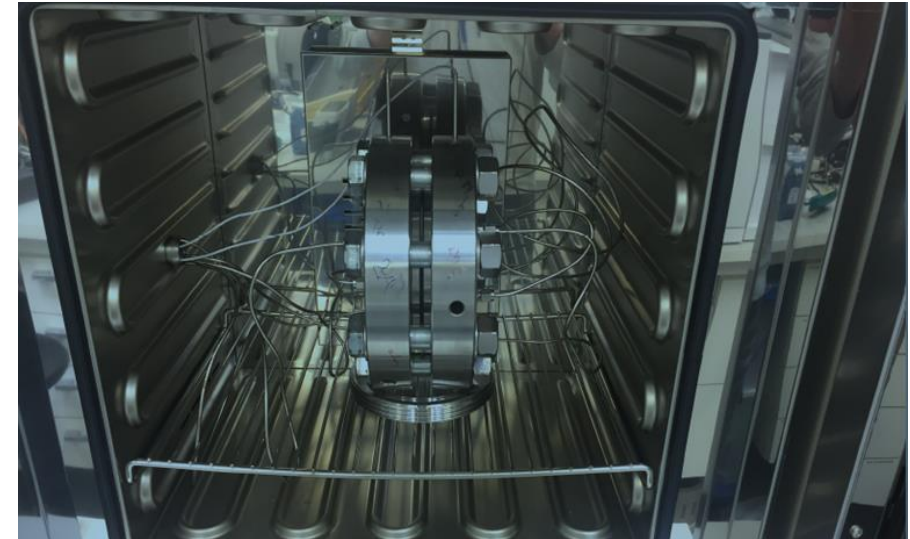
- 60-day min. exposure of typical and hydrogen-blended gas at controlled pressure and temp.
- A test sample is fixed in the middle with a constant pressure difference. Gas molecules penetrate through sample from higher pressure room into lower pressure sec. The setup will also be used to measure gas transmission rate.

- Coupon samples are supplied by developers (possibly in 12-inch diam sheets). GTI will plasma cut the samples to the required testing sizes.
- In 5.4: GTI to run control tensile tests on un-exposed samples first and run the test on other samples after the exposure.



## Permeation Test Notes

- The test provides an estimation of the steady-state rate of transmission of a gas through the repair system.
- This test method is for the determination of (a) gas transmission rate (GTR), (b) permeance, and, in the case of homogeneous materials, (c) permeability.
- according to **ASTM D1434** Standard for Determining Gas Permeability Characteristics of Plastic Film and Sheeting.
- The sample is about 7-inch diameter supplied by the developed. Sample can be prepared on a wire mech or a highly-permeable surface and installed in the test chamber.



# Looking Forward

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- ▶ NASTT, ASCE Pipelines, among other publications
- ▶ FE models sent to developers- continual communication
- ▶ Test plans have been developed for each internal and external loading test
  - Circulated with TTSP and ARPA-E -> next step is to Developers
- ▶ Refining specimen design:
  - CI vs. Steel effects on PIP performance
  - Crack width effects (steel)
  - CI Joint effects
  - Availability to consistent/appropriate CI pipe
- ▶ Targeting receipt of Developer specimens by **April 2023**
  - Working to accommodate early submission of samples
  - T&A team to provide samples for PIP deposition ~January 2023

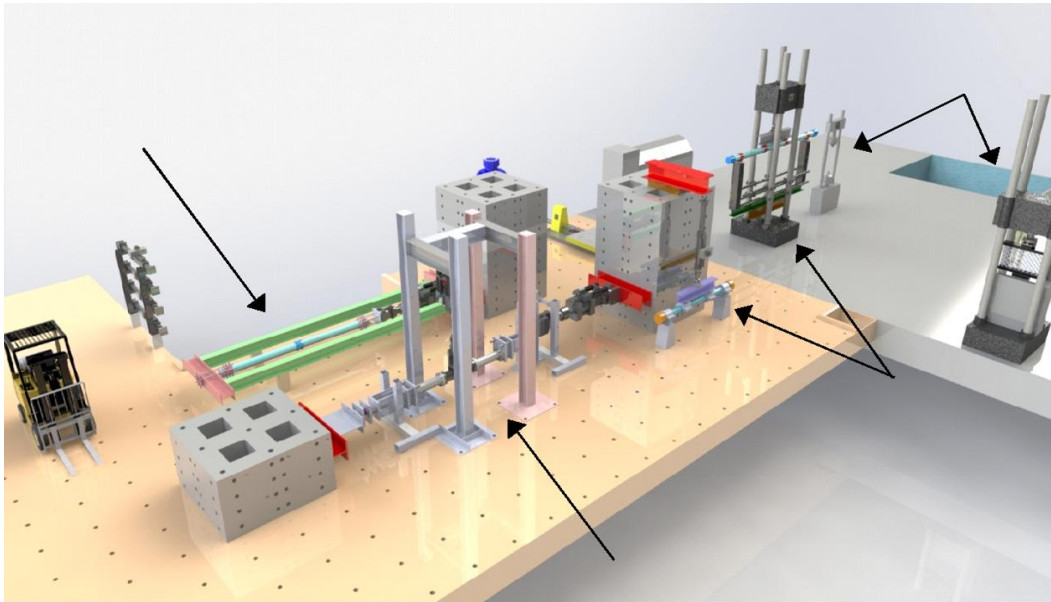


# Questions/Discussion

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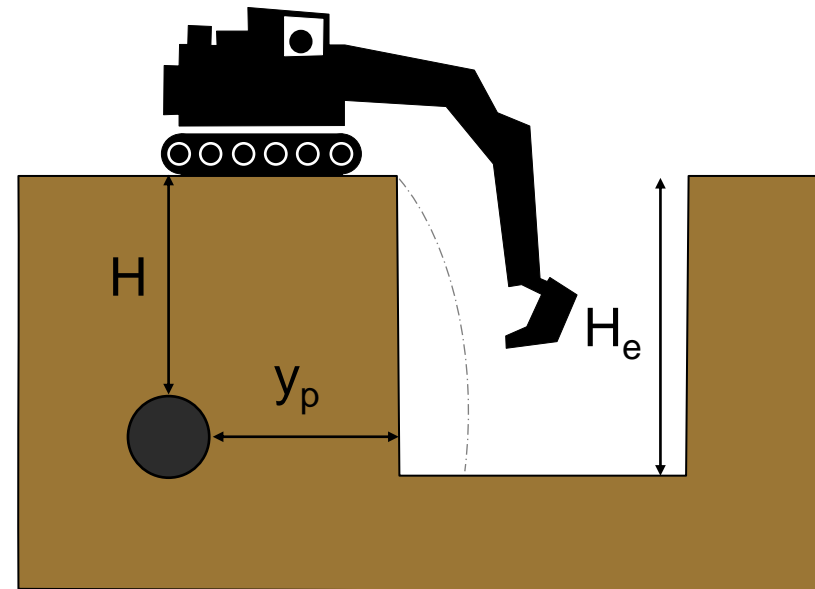
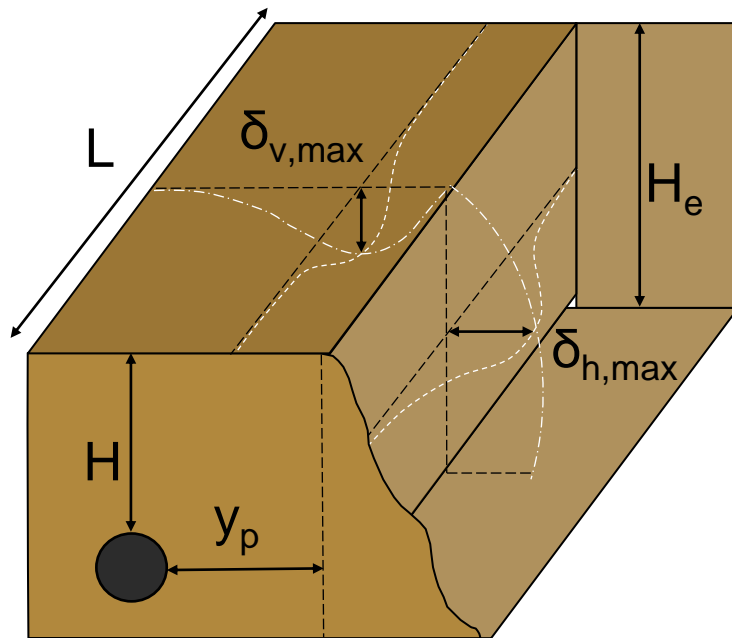
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# Feedback Request – Excavation Parameters

Primary Parameters			
Parameter	Minimum	Typical	Maximum
$y_p$ ( $H_e < 5$ ft)			N/A
$y_p$ ( $H_e < 20$ ft)			N/A
$y_p$ ( $H_e > 20$ ft)			N/A

Secondary Parameters			
Parameter	Minimum	Typical	Maximum
H	2.5 ft	3 ft	4 ft
$H_e$			
L			



# TTSP Request: CI Specimen

## A.1. General characteristics:

- 12 in. diameter (CIOD= ~13.2 in.)
- CI Class: Preference: Class B. We can accommodate thinner-walled Class A.
  - Class C and D CI have a different outer diameter (OD), and will present additional difficulties in fixturing, pressurizing, and loading (Figure A.1 provided dimensions for reference)

## A.2. Specimen characteristics

Two potential specimen dimensions would be useful for bending only tests. (Figure A.2 provides illustrations of the test specimens)

### 1. CI pipe with Joint (dia. = 12 in.):

- Length: 10 ft of intact pipe (free of cracks) [minimum length of 9 ft]
- Joint at center (within 8 in. of center of specimen)
- Lead caulked or otherwise weak joint (not repaired or stiffened, not cemented)
  - Stiff joints will not impose worst case deformations to the PIP, and likely result in failure of the CI pipe at the loading fixtures.

### 2. Straight section of CI pipe (dia. = 12 in.):

- 10 ft or longer intact pipe barrel (free of cracks)
- Existing bell could be cut off if at least 9 ft of competent barrel remains
- These specimens would be “cracked” at the center to represent round crack before (or perhaps after) application of PIP repair

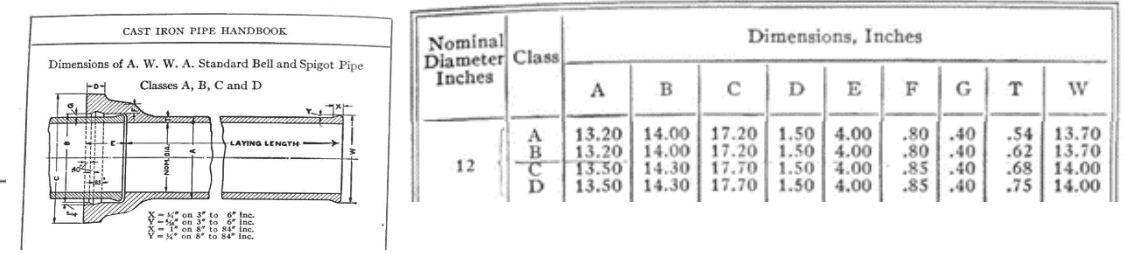


Figure A.1. Dimensions of Class A-D CI pipe (CI handbook, 1927)

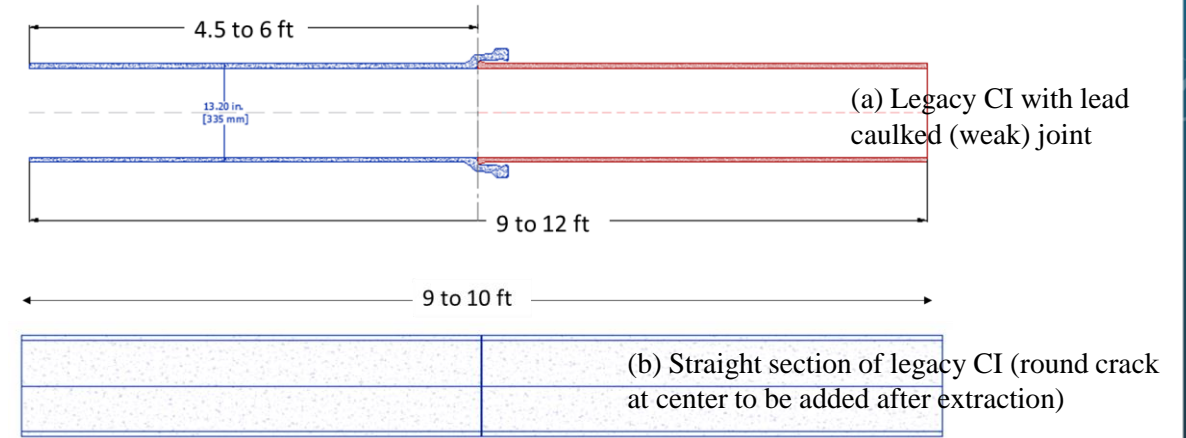


Figure A.2. Illustrations of requested CI specimens

